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## **KENNEWICK IRRIGATION DISTRICT RESOLUTION 2021-34**

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**A RESOLUTION VERIFYING AND APPROVING FOR SUBMISSION TO THE COMMISSIONER OF RECLAMATION AND TO CONGRESS THE DRAFT FINAL TITLE TRANSFER AGREEMENT PACKAGE, INCLUDING: TITLE TRANSFER AGREEMENT, TRANSFER ELIGIBILITY REPORT, AND QUITCLAIM DEED.**

**WHEREAS**, the KID Board of Directors resolved to explore title transfer of the Kennewick Division in a resolution dated February 21st, 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, the KID Board of Directors resolved to pursue title transfer of the transferred works of the Kennewick Division in a resolution dated August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017, and

**WHEREAS**, the District and the United States (through Reclamation) executed Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) R18MA13703 on December 1st, 2017, defining the roles and responsibilities related to accomplishing title transfer of the transferred works of the Kennewick Division, including modification numbers 001, 002 and 003, which extends the term through December 31st, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, Congress adopted the John D. Dingell, Jr. Conservation, Management, and Recreation Act of 2019, (Pub. L. 116-9, Title VIII, Subtitle A; 133 Stat. 804; 43 U.S.C. 2902, et seq.) (hereinafter referred to as “Dingell Act”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Dingell Act provides for the transfer of title to eligible Reclamation Project Facilities of an authorized irrigation project to qualifying entities on the completion of repayment of capital costs without further authorization from Congress; and

**WHEREAS**, the District has been determined by Reclamation to be a qualifying entity, and the transferred works of the Kennewick Division have been determined by Reclamation to be eligible Reclamation Project Facilities of an authorized irrigation project; and

**WHEREAS**, the District has been working diligently with the United States to fulfill the requirements of the Dingell Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States through the Commissioner of Reclamation on September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021 signed the draft final title transfer agreement package, including the title transfer agreement, transfer eligibility report, and quitclaim deed, and submitted to Congress for a 90-day review on September 17<sup>th</sup> 2021.

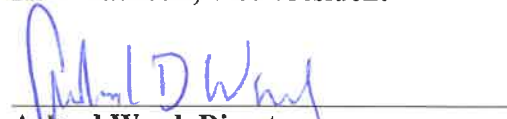
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the KID Board of Directors verifies and approves the submission to the Commissioner of Reclamation and to Congress the draft final title transfer agreement package, including: title transfer agreement, transfer eligibility report, and quitclaim deed.

**RESOLUTION 2021-34 IS HEREBY ADOPTED** by the Board of Directors of Kennewick Irrigation District, Benton County, Washington, at a regular open public meeting with a quorum present thereof this 5th day of October, 2021.

  
Gene Huffman, President

  
Kirk Rathbun, Vice President

  
David McKenzie, Director

  
Arland Ward, Director

  
Dean Dennis, Director